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Subject: Letter Re: Proposed Donlin Gold Mine and Tribal Meeting Request (part 1/7)
Attachments: YK Tribes Letter to EPA 9-15-22.pdf

Dear Ms. Nishida, Mr. Sixkiller, et al:

We write to you in follow-up to our meeting and conversation on July 28th, 2022.

Please find attached information from 13 Tribal Councils in response to your request for new information regarding the impacts and scope of the Donlin Gold mine project and gaps in the final environmental impact statement (EIS). We provide that information here and respectfully ask that along with using the EPA's 404c authority that the EPA support Tribes' requests that the Corps (1) reevaluate the final EIS, including through a supplemental EIS, and (2) separately, reverse the Corps' decision and revoke the 404 permit, as it was issued in violation of the Clean Water Act. Tribes respectfully request a government-to-government meeting with the EPA the week of September 26, 2022 to discuss these requests.

Due to file size, sources attached to the letter will be sent to you in six separate emails.

Please let us know what you see as next steps here and if there is any further information that we can provide.

Quyana Caknek,
(Thank you very much)

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